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NEW PROCEDURE CODE 90792 & INACTIVATION OF M0064 (A Guide to Procedure Codes & the IBHIS Addendum Guide to Services and Procedure Codes has been updated)

This Bulletin is to notify all Providers that 90792 (Psychiatric Diagnostic Interview with Medical Services) has been added to the Integrated System (IS) and the Integrated Behavioral Health Information System (IBHIS). This new code is available for any date of service on or after July 1, 2014. The Psychiatric Diagnostic Interview with Medical Services (90792) should be used by Medical Doctors (MD), Doctor of Osteopathy (DO), Authorized Nurse Practitioners and Authorized Clinical Nurse Specialists when meeting with a client for the purpose of doing a mental health evaluation to determine diagnosis and must include an in depth evaluation of medical issues. This code is NOT to be used when meeting for the purpose of determining medication needs. Subsequent visits for the purpose of medications should utilize the existing Evaluation & Management (E&M) procedure codes.

As of January 1, 2015, M0064 (Brief Medication Visit - Face to Face) is no longer a valid Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) procedure code. While Directly-Operated providers have not been utilizing this code since January 1, 2013 (instead utilizing E&M codes), Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health (LACDMH) continued to allow this code for Contract providers. LACDMH will inactivate this code for ALL providers on September 15, 2015. This will give Contract providers 6 months from the date of this Bulletin to discontinue the use of M0064. Please note that since M0064 is no longer a valid HCPCS code, Contract providers run the risk of rejections from other payers (non LACDMH) if they continue using M0064 until September 15, 2015.

The Guide to Procedure Codes and the IBHIS Addendum Guide to Services and Procedure Codes have been updated to reflect the above changes and are available on-line at: http://dmh.lacounty.gov/wps/portal/dmh/admin_tools/prov_manuals. Some statements in the Guide to Procedure Codes have been removed to reduce redundancy with the Organizational Provider's Manual. In addition, information regarding the selection of E&M codes has been added and the E&M page layout has been modified (see pages 11-15).

If Contract or Directly-Operated agencies have any questions regarding this Bulletin, please contact your Service Area QA Liaison.

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